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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: John M.K. Daniel et al.

Serial No.: 09/735,332

Examiner: Nguyen, Vix

Filed: December 12, 2000

Group Art Unit: 371

For: DISTAL PROTECTION DEVICE AND METHOD

Docket No.: 1001.1351106

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the above-identified application.

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**SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR §1.114**

Enclosed is an Amendment to the Office Action dated July 28, 2003, TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

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The RCE fee (37 CFR §1.17(e)) in the amount of \$770.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0413.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M.K. DANIEL ET AL.

By their Attorney,

Date: Dec. 16, 2003



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Following is an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2003.

Please amend the application as follows: